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Cassis Introduces Committee on Special Education

LANSING — State Senator Nancy Cassis, R- Novi, Vice-chair of the Senate Education Committee, sponsored Senate Bill 45 that would create a Blue Ribbon Committee on Special Education.

“As a former public school teacher and school psychologist, education is very near and dear to my heart,” Cassis said. “I am very excited about what this committee can do to help make Michigan’s special education second to none by assisting those of us that write the laws.”

The Blue Ribbon Committee on Special Education, which would make policy and funding recommendations to the legislature regarding special education, would consist of parents, educators, school board members, and administrators as well as special education professionals.

“The opportunity to get feedback from people who are familiar with education presented in an official report will assist those of us in Legislature and on the Education Committee to act effectively and expediently during this session,” Cassis said.

The bill, which has received bi-partisan support among the Senate, is a re-introduction of House Bill 4419, which Cassis sponsored last session as a state Representative.

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